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Applicant:

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For:

CALCIUM BINDING RECOMBINANT ANTIBODY AGAINST PROTEIN C

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 19, 1995, please amend the application as follows. A Petition for an Extension of Time for three months, up to and including March 19, 1996, and the appropriate fee for a small entity, are enclosed.

In the Claims

(amended) A recombinant Ca2+ dependent monoclonal antibody immunoreactive with [an] a first epitope in the activation peptide region of the heavy chain of Protein C defined by E D Q V D P R L I D G K (Sequence ID No. 1) in combination with a second epitope consisting of calcium ions, where the antibody inhibits Protein C activation by thrombin-thrombomodulin, and wherein the antibody is encoded in part by a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of ATGGGCAGGC TTTCTTCTTC ATTCTTGCTA CTGATTGCCC CTGCATATGT CCTGTCCCAG GTTACTCTGA AAGAGTCTGG CCCTGGGATA TTGC\GCCCT CCCAGACCCT CACTCTGACT

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